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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed July 31, 2008, entry and consideration of the following amendments and remarks are respectfully requested. Applicants petition for a three-month extension in the period for response; attached is the required fee. If any other fee required to consider this response is missing or deficient, Applicants authorize the fee (or any deficiency therein) to be charged to Deposit Account 14-1140 under Order No. 4662-45.

The **claims** are presented on pages 2-5.

Claims 6, 20 and 30 are amended.

Remarks begin on page 6.